I WONDER WHERE SHE IS TAKING ME...
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BY THE WAY, PRINCE.
THIS FOREST...DO YOU RECALL COMING HERE?

EH?
OF COURSE I REMEMBER.
...YEP, PRINCE LEVIN. YOU USED SNEAK OUT TO THIS FOREST WITH FURY.
YOU LOVED COMING HERE TO PLAY.
BUT YOU EVENTUALLY FOUND OUR HIDING SPOT...
IT'S BECAUSE YOU BUILT YOUR LITTLE HIDEOUT ON TOP OF THE TALLEST TREE IN THE FOREST!
.....
Tch
THANKS TO YOU TWO, WHEN I WAS A NEWLY PROMOTED KNIGHT I OFTEN HAD TO COME HERE TO BRING YOU TWO BACK TO THE CASTLE.
OH YEAH! WE BUILT A HIDEOUT SO THAT YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO FIND US.
WE HAD FURY'S PEGASUS CARRY THE BUILDING MATERIALS TO THE TOP OF THE TREE TO HELP US CONSTRUCT IT.
THE LITTLE HIDEOUT FROM BACK THEN...
SHALL WE CHECK IT OUT, PRINCE?

HOW NOSTAL-GIC...
NOT A SINGLE THING HAS CHANGED...
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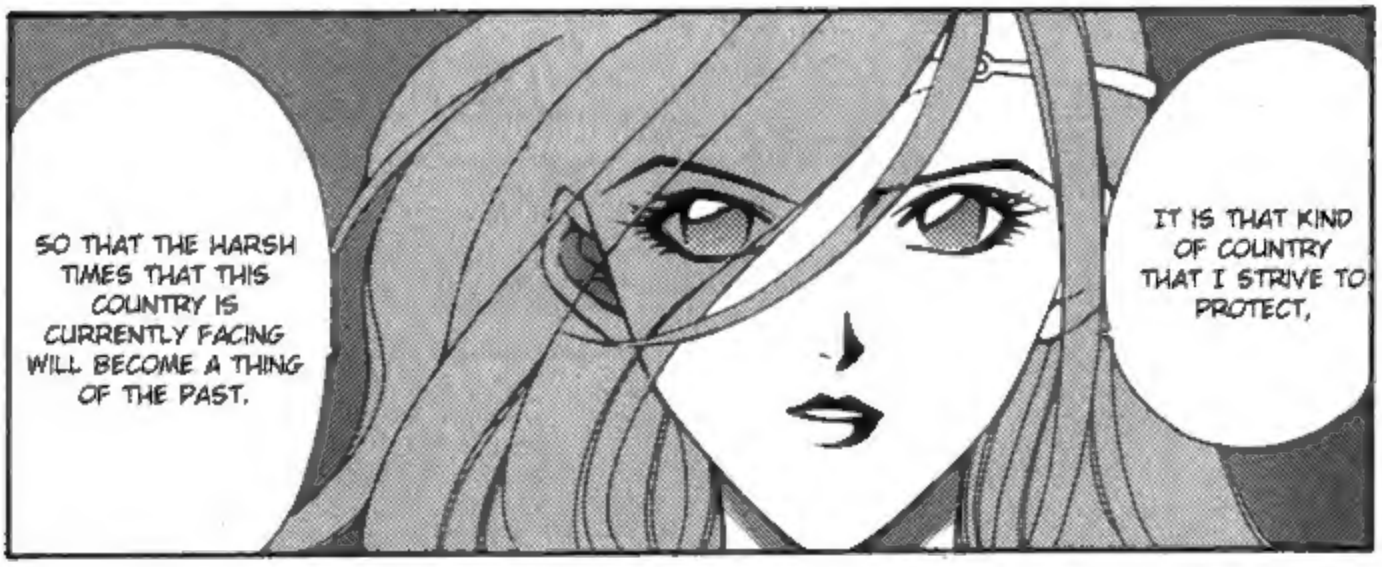
STILL...IF A CIVIL WAR BREAKS OUT...
EVEN THIS FOREST THAT HOLDS SO MANY FUN MEMORIES WILL BE...

SHALL WE GO UP AND TAKE A LOOK?
YOU CAN'T EVEN SEE THE TOP FROM HERE.
OH, SORRY.
I'LL STOP TALKING ABOUT DEPRESSING THINGS.
TODAY WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE ON A DATE, RIGHT?

MAHNYA ...?
MEMO-RIES...
WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO IT, THAT'S ALL THEY ARE.

I THOUGHT YOU SAID NOTHING HAS CHANGED?
PORD

PEOPLE KEEP STRIVING TO LIVE, CARRYING HOPE... THAT IS THE KIND OF COUNTRY SILESIA IS.
THAT KIND OF A MIRACLE IS TAKING PLACE IN SILESIA RIGHT NOW.
IF SOMETHING THAT HAS ROTTED TURNS INTO SOMETHING SPECIAL, WOULDN'T THAT BE CALLED A MIRACLE?


SO THAT THE HARSH TIMES THAT THIS COUNTRY IS CURRENTLY FACING WILL BECOME A THING OF THE PAST.
IT IS THAT KIND OF COUNTRY THAT I STRIVE TO PROTECT,

I WON'T LET THAT HAPPEN.
THOSE DEATHS MAY BECOME PART OF SILESIA'S HISTORY.
YOU DO REALIZE THAT PEOPLE MAY DIE, RIGHT?
MAHNYA.
BUT.

...WHERE DO YOU GET THIS CONFI-DENCE?
...FURY SAID SOMETHING EERILY SIMILAR.
TCH, SHE...
IS LIKE A MINI MAHNYA.
THAT IS THE REASON WHY I EXIST IN THIS WORLD.
"PRINCE LEVIN!"
"PRINCE!!"
I'M SCARED.
IT MAKES ME THINK...THEN WOULDN'T IT BE BETTER IF I DIDN'T FIGHT AT ALL?
IF I FAILED TO PROTECT EVEN ONE PERSON...

SO IT'S OKAY FOR YOU TO DEPEND ON THEM A LITTLE MORE.

...DEPEND ...ON THEM?

JUST LIKE HOW YOU DEPEND ON THE WIND TO TAKE THE BURDEN OFF YOUR SHOULDERS.

Hey, come back and hang around sometime.

So you remember this poor old lady.

You didn't forget about me, did you?

Well, it's all for your sake, Prince Levin.

BUT...IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE...

I UNDERSTAND... THEY HAVE GREAT EXPECTATIONS OF ME.

HE TOLD ME TO THINK ABOUT HOW THEY PERCEIVE ME...

WHEN I SAID THAT, SIGURD TOLD ME I HAD UNDERESTIMATED THE PEOPLE'S CAPABILITIES.

THEY LOVE YOU.

JUST LIKE HOW YOU WANT TO PROTECT THEM,
THEY HAVE THEIR OWN LOVED ONES THEY WANT TO PROTECT AS WELL.
AND I'M SURE THOSE LOVED ONES WANT TO PROTECT THEM IN RETURN.
EVEN THOUGH THEIR SITUATIONS MAY DIFFER, THEIR INTENTIONS...ARE ALL THE SAME, ARE THEY NOT?
I ASK THAT YOU DEPEND ON FURY AND I FOR MORE THINGS.
THAT IS WHY BOTH OF US ARE HERE.
MAHNYA...

THUMP

THAT'S WHY WHEN I TRAVELED IT WAS SO HARD FOR ME.
SO THAT'S

YEAH... BUT YOU SEE—
EVER SINCE I WAS YOUNG, I ALWAAAYS ...
DEPENDED ON YOU A LOT, MAHNYA.

WHY I...

...W-
WE CAAAN'T!!
PRINCE
IT'S NOT RIGHT!
THAT'S NOT THE MAHNYA I KNOW ...!!

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UU...IT'S BECAUSE... MAHNYA, YOU'RE..
KIND, MATURE,
BEAU-TIFUL
I ..
WEREN'T THOSE YOUR FEELINGS FOR ME?
THE REAL ME AND WHAT YOU ARE ABLE TO SEE OF ME, ARE .
THIS IS WHAT YOU SAID TO ME WHEN YOU CONFESSED YOUR FEELINGS.
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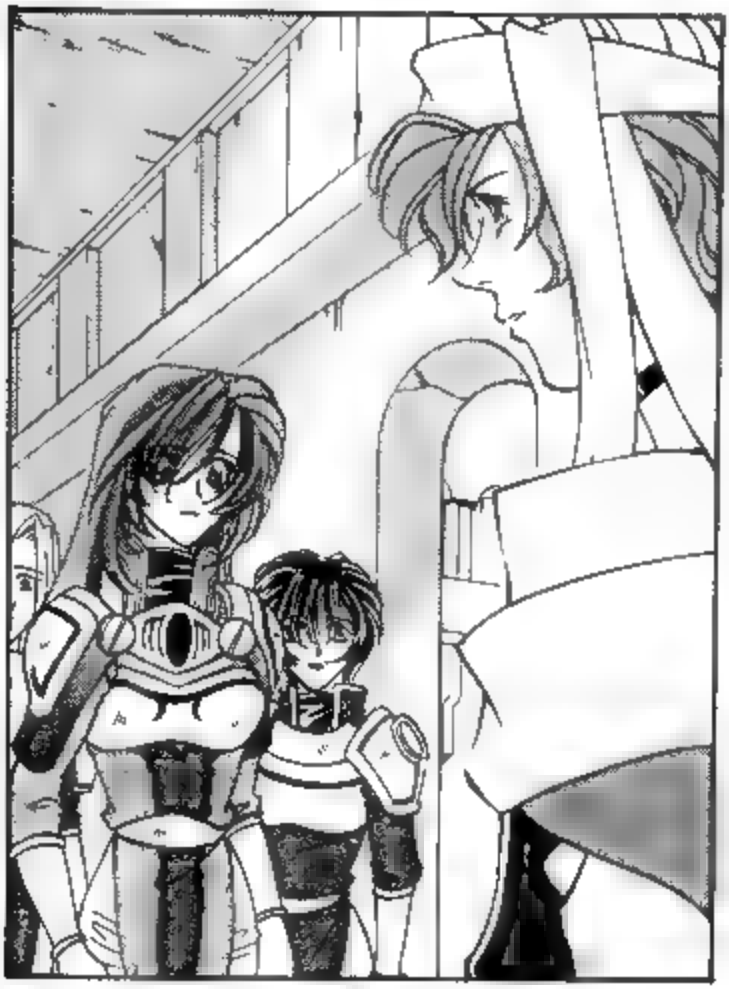
ONLY SILESIA...
PRINCE
EH?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN...?
ALL OF MY FEELINGS.. I'M SURE YOU TOO WILL..
ACQUIRE "HOLSETY"
WHEN YOU DO SO,

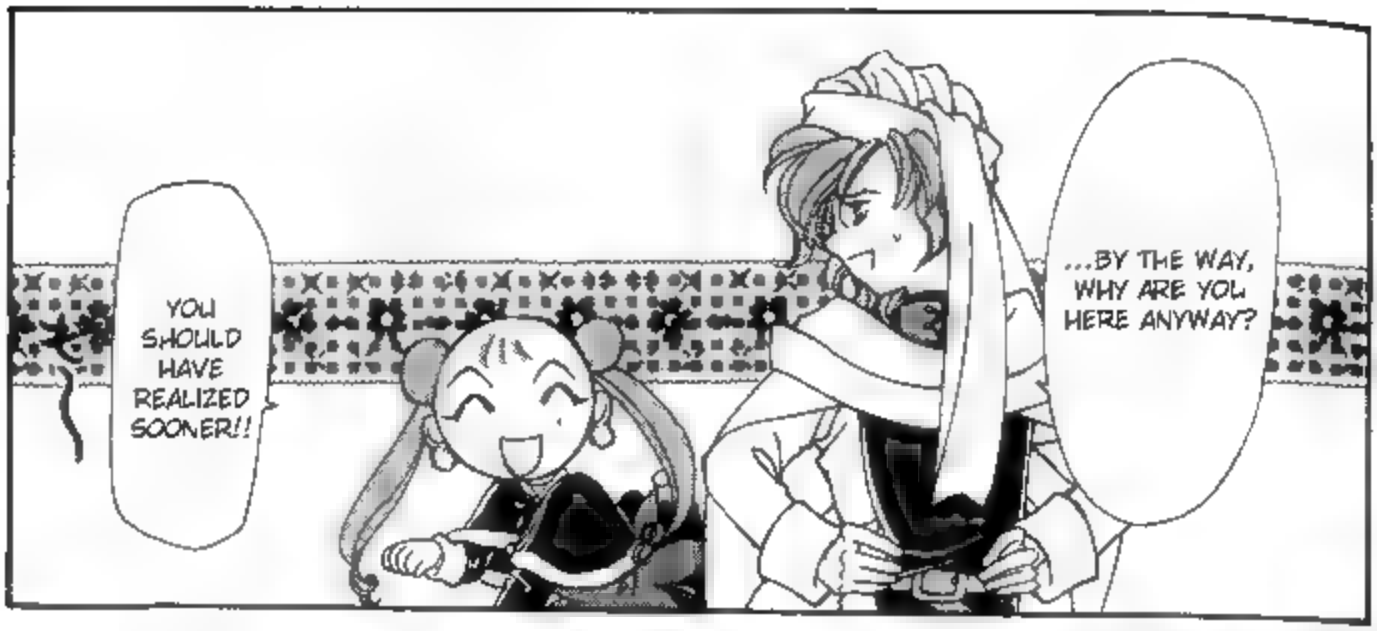
ACQUIRE "HOLSETY"...



...I REALIZE WHAT I SAID BEFORE WAS A LITTLE HARSH.
SORRY
.....
"HOLSETY."
ONLY THOSE DESCENDANTS WHO CARRY THE MAJOR BLOOD OF SETY, THE FOREFATHER OF THE ROYAL HOUSE OF SILESIA, CAN WIELD THE DIVINE TOME THAT CONTAINS THE POWER OF THE WIND GOD.
THAT POWER IS SAID TO HAVE DRIVEN BACK THE MEMBERS OF THE LOPUTO EMPIRE IN ONE GUST DURING THE TIMES OF THE ANCIENT HOLY WAR.
STAKE
TURN
AH!

THE LATE KING'S TWO YOUNGER BROTHERS WILL NEVER EVEN DREAM OF OPPOSING THE POWER OF HOLSETY.
THE SIMPLEST WAY TO AVERT A CIVIL WAR, PRINCE, IS TO POSSESS HOLSETY.
IF IT'S YOU, PRINCE THERE MAY BE A WAY FOR YOU TO UNLEASH THAT "POWER".
HOWEVER, IF FOR WHATEVER REASON THEY STILL DON'T BACK DOWN IN THE FACE OF HOLSETY, THERE IS ANOTHER "POWER" IT CONTAINS...OR SO I'VE HEARD.
IT'S A DIFFERENT KIND OF POWER SOMETHING MORE
AND I'M NOT REFERRING TO THE DESTRUCTIVE POWERS OF HOLSETY.

OH, IAN SHOULD BE IN THE CATTLE BARN BEHIND THE HOUSE
EH...? IS IAN OUT?
DURING THIS TIME, ALMOST ALL THE MALES ARE WORKING OUTDOORS.
Before lunch at least
AND I'M SUPPOSED TO BE WORRYING ABOUT EVERYONE ELSE
ONCE AGAIN THOUGH, I ONLY THOUGHT ABOUT MYSELF!
How pathetic
HAHA, I'M SORRY
WHEN YOU TWO WERE CHILDREN YOU USED TO ALWAYS COME AROUND THIS TIME TO PLAY WITH IAN.
WORKING .. THAT MAKES SENSE
IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN OBVIOUS TO ME THAT HE WOULD BE WORKING ..
IT'S MY FAULT
NAH, IT'S OKAY.


YOU SHOULD HAVE REALIZED SOONER!!
...BY THE WAY, WHY ARE YOU HERE ANYWAY?

THERE'S SOME-THING I NEED TO DISCUSS WITH YOU TODAY
HAHA... WELL, A LOT OF THINGS HAVE HAPPENED
YOU HAVEN'T VISITED IN SO LONG, I WAS STARTING TO GET WORRIED

PRINCE!!

NEED A HAND?
IT'S ALMOST LUNCH-TIME, SO CAN YOU WAIT JUST A LITTLE BIT LONGER FOR ME?
ACTUALLY, I HAVE SOMETHING I WANT TO TELL YOU ABOUT TOO.
WHAT A COINCI-DENCE.

I'M OKAY
IF I LET YOU DO THAT, PRINCE, GRANDMA WILL YELL AT ME.
BESIDES, THIS IS MY JOB
.....
I SEE...
IT MUST BE SO NICE.
YOU'VE REALLY MATURED
HEHEHE
NOT TO MENTION I WILL SOON HAVE A WIFE
EH?

HER NAME IS LYNNE. ISN'T SHE CUTE?
A-A PLEASURE TO MAKE YOUR ACQUAIN-TANCE.
I AM DELIGHTED TO MEET YOU FACE TO FACE, PRINCE.
He wasn't like this before
Yes, sir
BOW
WELL THEN, SEE YOU...
She really is cute
HERE'S YOUR LUNCH
GOOD LUCK IN THE EVENING
THANKS. I'M ALWAYS INDEBTED TO YOU.
WAS THAT WHAT YOU WANTED TO TELL ME?
It's about time
We eat lunch too.
Bon appetite!
NOW, LET'S EAT! LET'S EAT!
He ate!
BUT WHO KNEW THERE WAS SUCH A CUTE GIRL IN THIS VILLAGE?

...I THINK I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO FIGHT..
SHE CAME HERE AFTER FLEEING FROM THOVE.
RIGHT NOW...SHE LIVES IN THE SHELTER.
FROM HERE ON OUT, OUR LIVES ARE INTER-TWINED.
IN ORDER TO PROTECT HER HAPPINESS,
I'M WILLING TO PUT MY LIFE ON THE LINE.
SO THAT'S HOW IT IS..

*Sylvia is singing a song about the "O"hiragana character the character she is drawing on the ground

EH?
DON'T WORRY, WE ALREADY DISCUSSED IT.
EH? WHAT ABOUT THE THING YOU WANTED TO DISCUSS WITH ME, PRINCE?
WELL, I SHOULD BE GETTING BACK
BE COMING AROUND THESE PARTS ANYMORE
...BY THE WAY, I PROBABLY WON'T

CHEERS!!
SFX. CLANG!
PRINCE, THIS MAY BE THE LAST TIME YOU EAT MY COOKING.
Today's meal is made especially for you
I helped out too ♡
HEY NOW, DON'T BE SO SOLEMN.
CONGRATS
THIS SCENE LOOKS A LITTLE FAMILIAR..
THE PRINCE IS FINALLY GOING TO BECOME KING!
HAHAHA
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!
Besides it's not exactly the same
OKAAAY! TONIGHT WE EAT AND DRINK TO OUR HEARTS' CONTENT!
Don't we always do that?

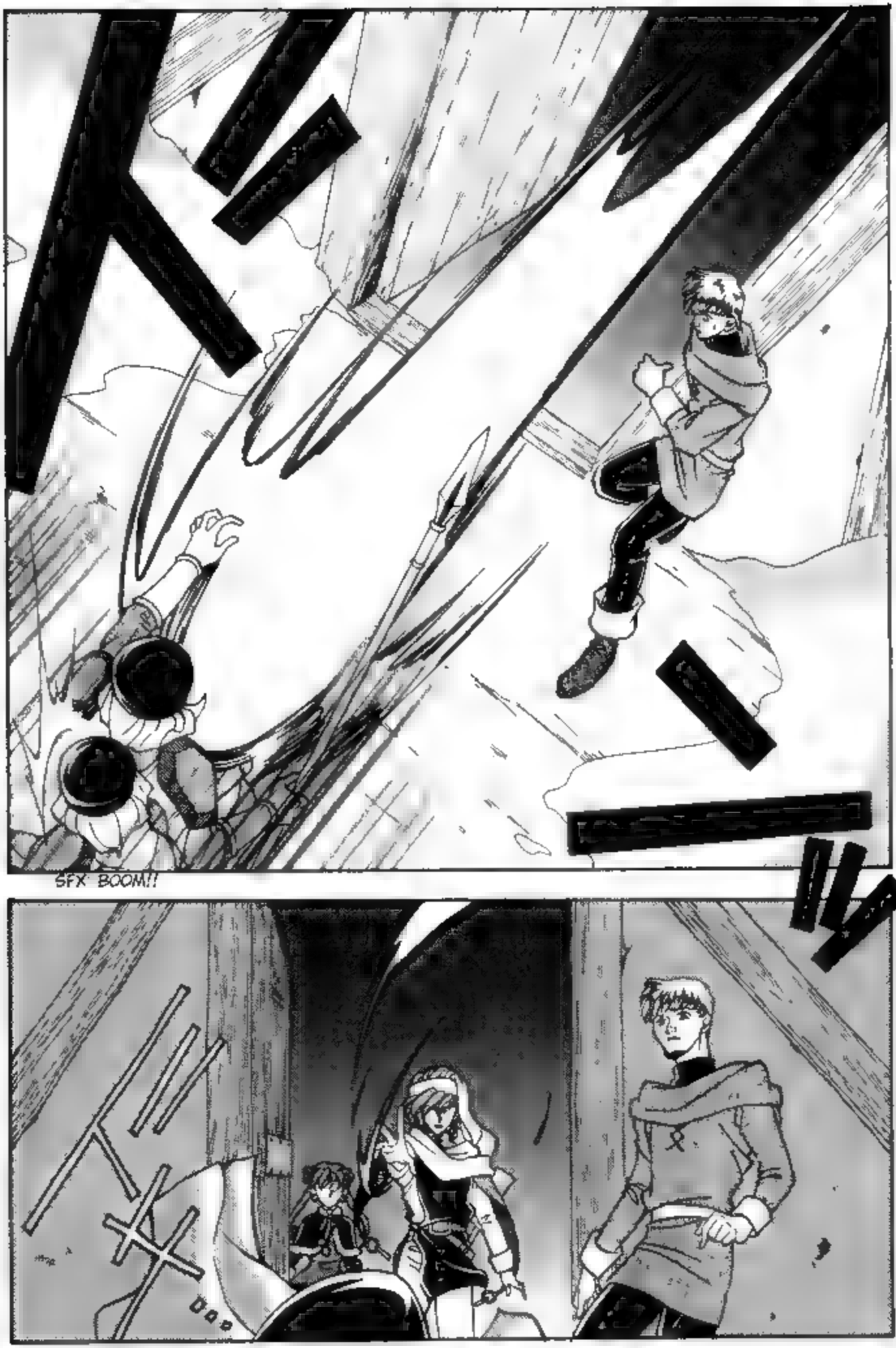
YES!
YES!
PARTY!
I'LL DANCE!!
The dance of the white horse
SFX. CLAP CLAP CLAP
It's nice to celebrate some times
Oh. The village chief is here

I CAN'T SLEEP
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE SEEN EVERYONE ACT SO LIVELY.
EVEN THE FULL MOON LOOKS BEAUTIFUL. TONIGHT IS REALLY A NIGHT TO REMEMBER.
AH. . THE COOL BREEZE FEELS SO GOOD
...EH?

WHAT'S THE MATTER, PRINCE?
SFX. FWOOSH
FWOOSH...
NEIGH...
THE FLAPPING SOUND OF PEGASUS WINGS?
...AND THEIR CRIES.
WHAT?

...
THAT'S
...
.....
THE
PEOPLE
IN THE
SHELTER
..!
IAN!!

FROM THIS DAY FORTH, THIS VILLAGE WILL ACT UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE THOVE GOVERN-MENT..
ALL OF YOU STEP OUT-SIDE.
THOSE WHO RESIST SHALL BE SHOWN NO MERCY
JURIS-DICTION!?
IAN!! OUT OF THE WAY!
YOU BASTARDS, WHAT YOU HAVE YOU DONE WITH LYNNE!


SFX BOOM!!
SFX FALLING ..

SHIVER
SHIVER
LYNNE. .
BUT WHAT ABOUT LYNNE?
SFX RATTLE
ARE YOU STUPID!! YOU COULD HAVE DIED!!
P. PRINCE.
IT'S SO NOISY. WHAT'S HAPPENING?
OLD LADY LUNA!
HEY, IAN, TAKE HER AND ESCAPE OUT THE BACK BEFORE MORE SOLDIERS COME!
CALM DOWN!!
WAIT, I HAVE TO SAVE LYNNE..
HEAD FOR SAILANE CASTLE!!
!

GET A GRIP!!
SO YOU'RE GOING TO FIGHT THEM!?
BUT WHAT WILL HAPPEN WITH LYNNE AND ALL THE OTHER VILLAGERS?
I'M GOING TO STAY HERE AND OBSERVE
IN ORDER TO SAVE THEM YOU HAVE TO RELAY THIS INCIDENT TO SAILANE!
O... GOT IT!!
AH...
LYNNE IS OKAY .DON'T WORRY
THE WIND JUST SPOKE TO ME.

IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE, THEN MOVE IT!
HEY, DON'T WASTE TIME!
LET'S HEAD OVER THERE TOO.
OKAY
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY ARE DIRECTING EVERYONE TO THE SHELTERS..
YEAH. .BUT WHY WOULD THEY GATHERING EVERYONE IN ONE LOCATION?

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HM?
WHAT IS IT, LEVIN?
THEY ARE SEPARATING THE ORIGINAL VILLAGERS FROM THE REFUGEES...?
IT LOOKS LIKE IT...LOOK THERE IN THE BACK
THERE'S ..LYNNE
UNCLE ...?

LORD MAIOS, ALL THE VILLAGERS HAVE BEEN GATHERED.
EXCELLENT WORK, DEETVA.

QUIET!!
WHAT IN THE WORLD IS HE...
IF HE BOUGHT SUCH A LARGE ARMY WITH HIM, HE COULD HAVE JUST ATTACKED SAILANE.
HE EVEN BOUGHT HIS PEGASUS SQUAD...
MY UNCLE CAME IN PERSON TO TAKE CONTROL OF SUCH A SMALL VILLAGE?

THOVE'S VERY OWN LORD MAIOS HAS SOMETHING HE WOULD LIKE TO SAY!
SO PAY ATTEN-TION!!
...I'M SURE YOU FOLKS MAY BE WONDERING...
WHY WE HAVE SUDDENLY DECIDED TO PAY YOUR VILLAGE A VISIT.
You got that right!
HOWEVER, YOU FOLKS CAN REJOICE.
NOT ONLY WILL YOU BE PLACED UNDER MY RULE,
YOU WILL BE ABLE TO WITNESS WITH YOUR VERY OWN EYES A GLORIOUS MOMENT THAT IS ABOUT TO OCCUR.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IN THIS VERY VILLAGE WE SHALL LET YOU WITNESS THE BIRTH OF A NEW RULER!!
...AH, SO THAT'S HOW IT IS. IT ALL MAKES SENSE NOW.
UNCLE, YOU BASTARD...

COMMENT

INFORMATION

HOLSETYSCANS:

TRANSLATION: TOMOYO
CLEANING: LIGHTSNAKE
TYPESETTING: TOMOYO
SCANNING: AQUANTIS
PROOFREADER: TRIMURTI
MINOR CORRECTIONS/QC: AQUANTIS, VINCENTASM

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